STATE OF MONTANA
DEPARTMENT OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

MERRIAM'S WILD TURKEY REGULATIONS FOR 1981

By order of the Montana Fish and Game Commission, the districts described below shall be open to the hunting of Merriam's wild turkey by special wild turkey tag holders only, from one-half hour before sunrise through one-half hour after sunset on the dates shown for each district (except for the first day which shall open at noon).

September 19 through December 6, 1981

Southeast District: Those portions of Big Horn, Carter, Custer, Dawson, Fallon, Garfield, Powder River, Prairie, Rosebud, Treasure, Wibaux and Yellowstone counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at the Yellowstone River bridge at Custer, then north on the Custer-Melstone Road to U.S. Highway 12 at Melstone, then east on U.S. Highway 12 to the Musselshell River bridge, then north down the Musselshell River to Fort Peck Reservoir, then down the south bank of Fort Peck Reservoir to Big Dry Creek, then south up Big Dry Creek to Little Dry Creek, then south up Little Dry Creek to State Highway 200, then west on State Highway 200 through Jordan to Edward-Ingomar Road 7 miles east of Sand Springs, then south on the Edwards-Ingomar Road to U.S. Highway 12 near Ingomar, then southeast on U.S. Highway 12 to Interstate Highway 94 at Forsyth, then north and east on U.S. Interstate Highway 94 through Glendive to Montana-North Dakota state line, then south along the North Dakota-South Dakota-Montana state line to the Montana-Wyoming state line, then west on the Montana-Wyoming state line to the Crow Indian Reservation boundary, then north along the Crow Indian and Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation boundary to the Tongue River, then north along the Tongue River to the north boundary of the Northern Cheyenne and Crow Indian Reservation, then west along that boundary to the Bighorn River, then north down the Bighorn River to the Yellowstone River, then west up the Yellowstone River to the Yellowstone River bridge at Custer, the point of beginning.

October 25 through November 22, 1981

Bull Mountain District: Those portions of Musselshell, Big Horn, Yellowstone, and Golden Valley counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at Billings, thence northwesterly along State Route 3 to its junction with U.S. Highway 12 north of Lavina, thence east and northeasterly along U.S. Highway 12 to Melstone thence south and southeasterly along the Melstone-Custer Road to the Yellowstone River bridge at Custer, thence easterly down the Yellowstone River to the Bighorn River, thence southerly up the Bighorn River to Highway 87 at Hardin, thence west and northwesterly from Hardin along U.S. Highway 87 to Billings, the point of beginning.

Note: Time to conform with shooting zones and sunrise-sunset schedules for the state as established by the Montana Fish and Game Commission.

Areas Closed to Hunting: State Game Preserves and closures.

License: Wild Turkey Tag - $2. Must be in possession of a Class AAA $35 Resident Sportsman's License or a Class A-1 $4 Resident Bird License and $2 Conservation License, or Class B-1 $30 Nonresident Bird License and $2 Conservation License, or a Class B-10 $225 Nonresident Big Game Combination License. Montana residents 62 and older must be in possession of the $2 Conservation License. Persons under 12 years of age may not hunt game birds. Special turkey tags may be obtained from the Helena office of the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, any Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks regional office, or any license agent.

Limit: One wild turkey per special tag holder per fall season.

Tagging: The tag provided with the special game license must be filled out and affixed to the leg of the turkey immediately after killing and must remain thereon.

Means of Taking: Wild turkey may be taken with a shotgun not larger than a ten gauge, long bow and arrow, rifle, or handgun.

Other Restrictions: Baiting prohibited. "Baiting" shall mean the placing, exposing, depositing, distributing, or scattering of corn, wheat, or other grain so as to constitute a lure or attraction. Nothing shall prohibit the taking of birds in or over standing crops or harvested cropland or grains scattered as a result of agricultural harvesting.

MONTANA FISH AND GAME COMMISSION
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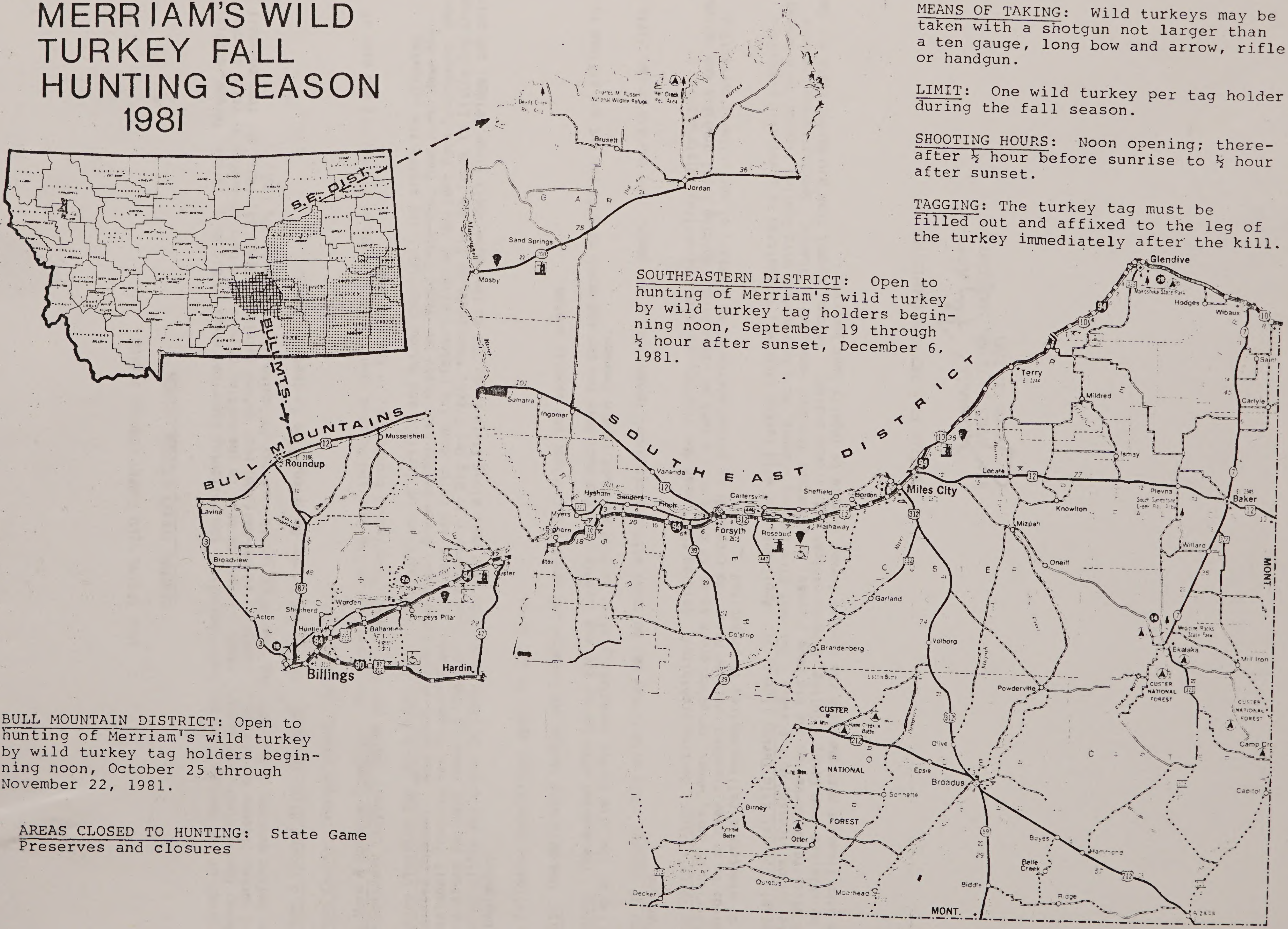
MERRIAM'S WILD TURKEY FALL HUNTING SEASON 1981



S.E. DIST.
BULL MTS.
BULL MOUNTAINS
SOUTH EAST DISTRICT
Jordan
Brusett
Sand Springs
Mosby
Sumatra
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Vananda
Hysham
Sanders
Myers
Bighorn
Forsyth
Cartersville
Rosebud
Hathaway
Sheffield
Miles City
Terry
Mildred
Ismay
Locate
Plevna
Baker
Knowlton
Mizpah
Glendive
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Wibaux
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Powderville
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Mill Iron
Camp Crook
Capitol
CUSTER
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FOREST
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Otter
Quietus
Moorhead
Decker
Olive
Epsie
Broadus
Boyes
Hammond
Belle Creek
Biddle
Ridge
Alzada
MONT.
Roundup
Musselshell
Lavina
Broadview
Acton
Shepherd
Worden
Huntley
Ballantine
Pompeys Pillar
Custer
Billings
Hardin

MEANS OF TAKING: Wild turkeys may be taken with a shotgun not larger than a ten gauge, long bow and arrow, rifle or handgun.

LIMIT: One wild turkey per tag holder during the fall season.

SHOOTING HOURS: Noon opening; thereafter ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset.

TAGGING: The turkey tag must be filled out and affixed to the leg of the turkey immediately after the kill.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT: Open to hunting of Merriam's wild turkey by wild turkey tag holders beginning noon, September 19 through ½ hour after sunset, December 6, 1981.

BULL MOUNTAIN DISTRICT: Open to hunting of Merriam's wild turkey by wild turkey tag holders beginning noon, October 25 through November 22, 1981.

AREAS CLOSED TO HUNTING: State Game Preserves and closures

1981 SPRING WILD TURKEY GOBBLER SEASON

GENERAL TURKEY LICENSE SEASON

By order of the Montana Fish and Game Commission, the following described areas in Big Horn, Carter, Fergus, Garfield, McCone, Powder River, and Rosebud counties shall be open to the hunting of male wild Merriam turkey by valid special wild turkey license holders only, beginning at one-half (½) hour before sunrise on April 11, 1981, and from one-half (½) hour before sunrise to one-half (½) hour after sunset each day following, through April 30, 1981.

Carter & Powder River Counties: Carter and Powder River counties in their entirety.

Fergus County: Fergus County in its entirety.

Big Horn & Rosebud Counties: Those portions of Big Horn and Rosebud counties lying south of Highway 212 and east of the Northern Cheyenne Indian and Crow Indian Reservation boundaries, in their entirety.

Hunting District 700 (North Garfield): Those portions of Garfield and McCone counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at the Musselshell River bridge near Mosby on State Route 200, then north down the Musselshell River to the Missouri River, then east and north down the Missouri River to the Fort Peck Powerhouse, then south along the east shore of the Fort Peck Reservoir to Big Dry Creek, then south up Big Dry Creek to Little Dry Creek, then up Little Dry Creek to State Route 200, then west along State Route 200 to the Musselshell River bridge, the point of beginning.

The following regulations apply to all areas:

Limit: One male wild turkey per license and special tag holder per special season.

Tagging: The special wild turkey tag and license provided must have the day and month of kill cut out and affixed to the leg of the male turkey immediately after killing and must remain thereon.

Means of Taking: Male wild turkey may be taken with a shotgun not larger than a ten gauge, long bow and arrow, rifle, or handgun.

Other Restrictions: Baiting prohibited. Baiting shall mean the placing, exposing, depositing, distributing, or scattering of corn, wheat, or other grain so as to constitute a lure or attraction. Nothing shall prohibit the taking of birds in or over standing crops or harvested croplands or grains scattered as a result of agricultural harvesting. Use of electronic calling devices is prohibited.

License: Special Wild Turkey License $2: Applicants for wild turkey licenses, in addition to possessing a Wildlife Conservation license, must possess a Resident Bird hunting license, or a Nonresident Bird hunting license, or a Nonresident $225 Wildlife Conservation and Big Game license, or a Montana Resident Sportsman's license. Special turkey licenses may be obtained from Fish, Wildlife, & Parks offices and license dealers. Persons exempt from purchasing Class A-1 Resident game bird licenses must purchase the special turkey license to legally hunt turkeys.

MONTANA FISH AND GAME COMMISSION

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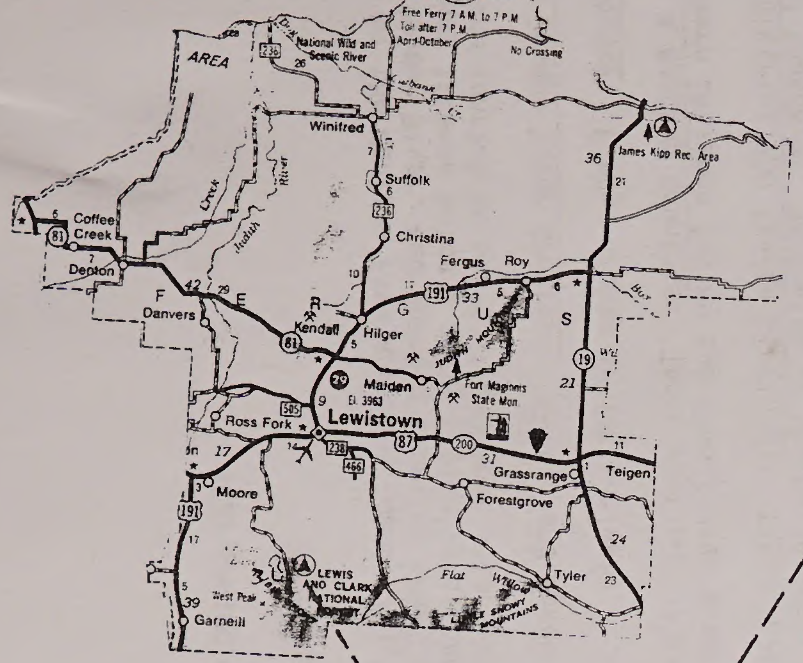
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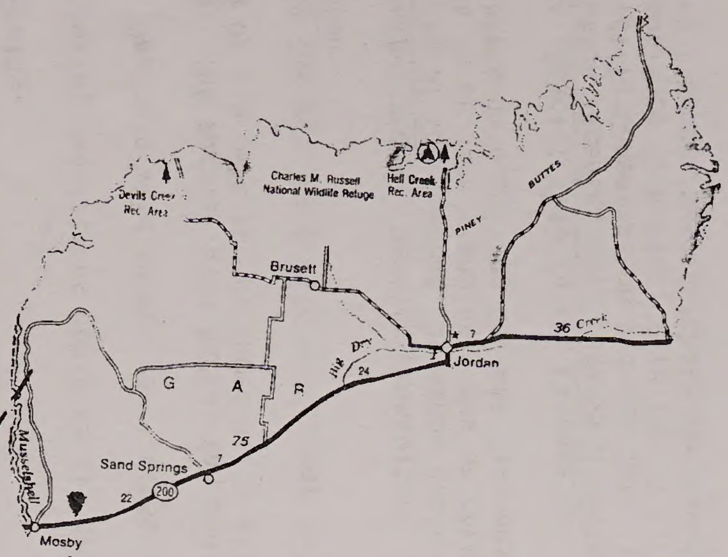
National Wild and Scenic River
Free Ferry 7 A.M. to 7 P.M. Toll after 7 P.M. April-October
No Crossing
Winifred
Suffolk
Christina
Fergus
Roy
Coffee Creek
Denton
Danvers
James Kipp Rec. Area
Kendall
Hilger
Maiden
Fort Maginnis State Mon.
Lewistown
Ross Fork
Moore
Grassrange
Forestgrove
Teigen
Tyler
Garneill
Lewis and Clark National Forest
Judith River
Flat
Little Snowy Mountains
F E R G U S

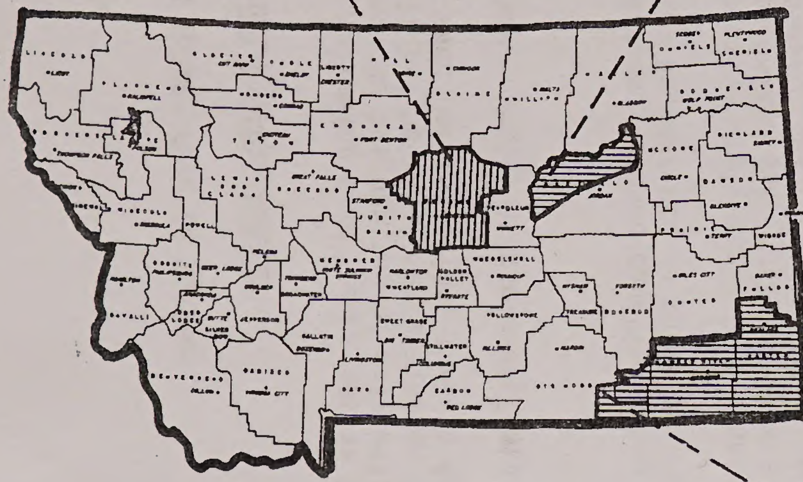

Devils Creek Rec. Area
Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge
Hell Creek Rec. Area
Piney
Buttes
Brusett
Jordan
Sand Springs
Mosby
Musselshell
G A R
200

MEANS OF TAKING: Wild turkeys may be taken with a shotgun not larger than a ten gauge, long bow and arrow, rifle or handgun.

LIMIT: One wild turkey gobbler per tag holder.

SHOOTING HOURS: ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset.

TAGGING: The turkey tag must be filled out and affixed to the leg of the turkey immediately after the kill.



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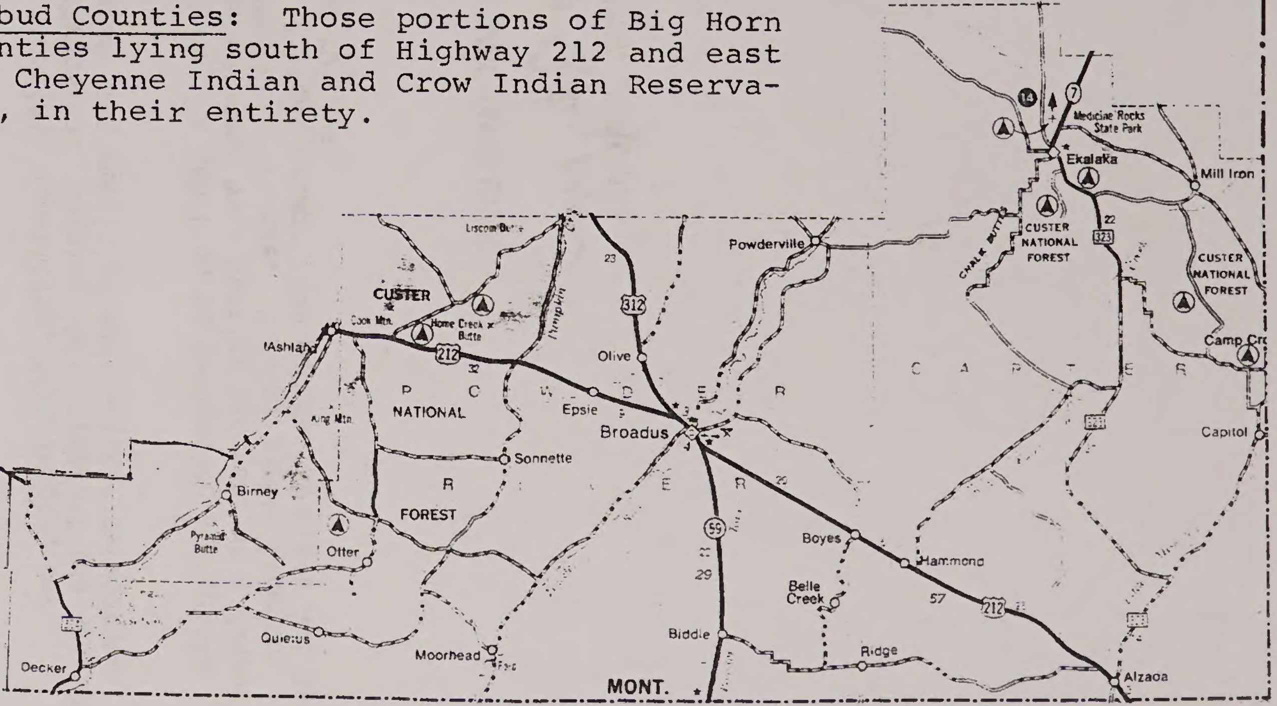
Carter & Powder River Counties: Carter & Powder River counties in their entirety.

Big Horn & Rosebud Counties: Those portions of Big Horn and Rosebud counties lying south of Highway 212 and east of the Northern Cheyenne Indian and Crow Indian Reservation boundaries, in their entirety.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Ekalaka
Mill Iron
Custer National Forest
Powderville
Custer
Ashland
Olive
Epsie
Broadus
Sonnette
Birney
Otter
National
Forest
Boyes
Hammond
Belle Creek
Biddie
Ridge
Moorhead
Quietus
Decker
Capitol
Camp Crook
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WILD TURKEY
SPRING GOBBLER
SEASON, 1981

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